

URGE FEDERAL LAWS AS AID TO JOBLESS

Commissioner Brownlow and Others Discuss Problem at Monday Evening Club.

"National legislation is needed, and the day is not far distant when it will be obtained, to bring the jobless man and the manless job together."

This was the keynote of an address by Commissioner Brownlow at the annual banquet of the Monday Evening Club at Rauscher's last night. The problem of finding work for the unemployed was discussed by a number of speakers, among them John B. Andrews, secretary of the National Association for Labor Legislation, and Charles P. Barnes, director of the New York State Public Employment Bureau.

Mrs. Ernest P. Bicknell, president of the club, presided, and Dr. W. C. Woodward, District Health Officer, acted as toastmaster.

Presses Social Laws

"The passage of the workmen's compensation act presages national social legislation in a way we have never dreamed of," said Mr. Brownlow. "Social insurance, in connection with public employment bureaus will bring a pressure on employers to keep their staffs at work. Social legislation will take more time than the time of Congress, and the Monday Evening Club, I know, will do all it can, not only to obtain legislation for the District of Columbia, but for the United States of America."

Mr. Andrews estimated the number of unemployed at 400,000 and of the whole country at 1,000,000. One remedy, he said, is the establishment of public bureaus. Another is to plan public work ten years ahead and to hold back a percentage of this in times of prosperity. He explained the functions of the public employment bureaus, emphasizing the fact that they are not to be regarded as "free employment agencies," but as public schools.

Offices Were "Plums"

Many of the State labor bureaus, he said, have done ineffective work, but the day is not far distant when the offices have been used as "political plums."

Mr. Barnes advocated special vocational training and declared that one of the difficulties is the lack of proper educational methods for children who must later earn their living.

Dr. Wickliffe Rose, of the Belgian Relief Commission, declared the problem of finding work for the unemployed here is negligible when compared with Belgium and Poland, where the wheels of industry are at a standstill.

Walter S. Ufford, secretary of the Associated Charities, urged the club to work for the unemployed in the "white wings" and other day laborers of the street cleaning department, in whom President Wilson has shown a special interest.

He asked also for the endorsement of Senator Kenyon's measure providing an appropriation of \$2,000 for the study of the cost of living among wage earners here.

Brief addresses were made also by Charles F. Nesbit, superintendent of insurance; E. C. Brandenburg, president of the Board of Trade; F. T. Moran, president of the Chamber of Commerce, and Rose F. Andrews, president of the Retail Merchants' Association.

Tip Giver Will Face Prison in Wisconsin

MADISON, Wis., Feb. 23.—A bill to prevent tipping, agitated by commercial travelers' organizations, was introduced today by Senator Bray. The receiving of a tip, according to the bill, is a misdemeanor, but the giving of a tip is a felony. Under the State law these degrees of crime are both punishable by jail or prison sentences.

"Dead Man" Appears And Sues a Railroad

SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., Feb. 23.—J. J. Palmer, of Ottawa, Ont., supposed to have died and been buried three years ago, has reappeared and asked that letters of administration pending on his estate be dismissed. Palmer also filed suit for \$3,000 against the Pacific Electric Railway Company for building tracks across property belonging to him without his permission.

PHOTOPLAYS AND PHOTOPLAYERS

By GARDNER MACK.



FLORENCE LA BADIE, Leading woman of the Thalhouser Company, who as "Florence Grey," will find the million in final installment of "The Million Dollar Mystery," at the Olympic today.

Detective Story Has Biggest Punch For Screen Dramas, Say Experts

There have been many discussions among scientific men, theatrical experts, and just plain average citizens as to what one thing amuses and entertains the most people. It seems to be the general opinion that the most entertaining thing is the trouble of some one else—or rather the manner in which the troubles that beset a good and virtuous man are overcome, and the causes of them destroyed.

It is claimed by investigators of this subject that the thing which thrills and excites the most people is a good moral lesson—meaning that good triumphs in the end, and the wicked are punished—is entertaining to the largest number of people. The story that has these two elements, and at the same time provides a mystery which is solved at the last moment is even more entertaining.

The result is that the detective story is probably the story with the greatest appeal. It is stated that "Nick Carter" and "Old Sleuth" are probably the best known characters of fiction because the stories of which they are heroes have the greatest circulation.

More people know that Edgar Allan Poe was a writer because he turned out "The Murders of Rue Morgue" and that because he wrote "The Raven." The one was a story of crime and its detection, and the other a powerful poem. In "The White Company," Sir Arthur Conan Doyle wrote what many people believe to be one of the finest novels in the English language, and yet the story of a detective and his adventures is a person as Conan Doyle because he invented "Sherlock Holmes."

It is only natural, therefore, that people engaged in supplying amusement to the public should turn their attention to the detective story as the means of amusing the most people. And it is also natural that when such people happen to be in the motion picture business that they should endeavor to get the best writers of detective and mystery stories to supply the ground material for the plays.

For several years the makers of picture plays have been utilizing the detective motif. Each year there seems to be some improvement worked in the scheme of the plays. This year's improvement, it is stated, has been incorporated in the series of tales by E. Phillips Oppenheim, which are to be issued as photoplays by the Universal Company, under the title of "The Black Box," the first of which will be shown some time next month. When Oppenheim started to write

the "Black Box" mystery he desired to deal with certain phases of anthropological research. When the first mystery serials began to make their appearance, Mr. Oppenheim was approached by several film concerns, who offered him fabulous sums if he would consent to write for the screen one of those great mystery stories for which he is famous. He refused all offers. Finally, however, he decided to write for the Universal Film Manufacturing Company what is predicted will be the most complicated story of crime he has ever attempted.

That he has succeeded will be proved when the first reel of this great feature is thrown on the screen. This picture is said to have more punches in one reel than the average pugilist could deliver in a fifty-round duel. At the same time it is clean and fit for any child to see.

Evangelist Defends Wife's Complexion

AKRON, Ohio, Feb. 23.—Mrs. Charles Reben Scoville, wife of the evangelist who is conducting a six-week revival in a tabernacle here, has a peach blossom complexion, and Evangelist Scoville defended it at an afternoon service. "It isn't paint," he shouted. "She inherited it. If any of you sisters doubt my word you can come up on the platform and taste it."

"Can't Desert; Shot" On Letter to Sister

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—A Polish girl in Sag Harbor has received a letter from her brother, a soldier in East Prussia, in which he promised to desert and join her in America. Across the envelope, evidently written by a censor, was:

"Your brother will not desert. He was taken out and shot this morning."

HEARTS of pretty girls were auctioned off to the highest bidder at an entertainment given by the Royal Beroans of the First Christian Church, at a "heart party." The proceeds of this novel sale and auction will go to the basketball fund.

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May Irvin in "Mrs. Black in Back" (Pamona Players), the Lyric, Fourteenth, near Irving street.

Thomas W. Ross in "The Only Son" (Lasky), the Princess, Twelfth and H streets northeast.

Ruth Roland in "The Disappearance of Harry Warrington" (Kalem), the Hippodrome, Mt. Vernon square.

Charles Chaplin in "His New Job" (Eassey), the Revere, Georgia avenue and Park road.

Ben Wilson in "The Phantom Warning" (Rex), the Odeon, Church, near Fourteenth street.

Robert Leonard and Ella Hall in "The Famous Players", the Lyric, Fourteenth, near Irving street.

Edna Mason and Ray Gallagher in "The Vandal" (Ufa-Verona), the Alhambra, 519 Seventh street.

Eddie Lyons and Victoria Forde in "All Aboard" (Nestor), the Dixie, Eighth and H streets northeast.

"The Scavenger" (Majestic), the Empire, 915 H street northeast.

Bob Burns and Olga Gray in "The Better Man" (Majestic), the Stanton, Sixth street and Massachusetts avenue northeast.

Pearl White and Crane Wilbur in "The Perils of Pauline", fourth installment, the Apollo, 92 H street northeast.

Blanche Sweet and House Peters in "The Warrent of Virginia" (Lasky), the Garden, 423 Ninth street.

John Emerson in "The Bachelor's Romance" (Pamona Players), the Strand, Ninth and D streets.

Billy Sunday in action and Robert Warwick in "The Jimmy Valentine" (from O. Henry's story) and Paul Armstrong's play (World Film Corporation), Crandall's, Ninth and E streets.

Note—These selections are made from programs prepared by the managers of the theaters, and no responsibility is assumed for arbitrary changes without notice to the Times. They are based on the personality of the players and the producing company and not on personal inspection, except in special cases.—G. M.

Couple File Strange Pre-Nuptial Contract

GOSHEN, Ind., Feb. 23.—An ant-nuptial contract filed here shows that David Conrad, a rich farmer and a member of the county council, in marrying Angie Lehnman agrees to pay her \$100 a year as long as she lives as husband and wife. At his death she is to get \$1,000 and the privilege of living in the home for not less than thirty days from the time of his demise. Otherwise the property interests are to remain separate.

Third Set of Teeth at 75.

PETERSBURG, Ind., Feb. 23.—Jacob Hays, aged seventy-five, a veteran of the civil war, who lives at Winslow, Pike county, is cutting a third full set of teeth. Hays never had his teeth pulled, but just permitted them to wear away.

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NATIONAL UNIVERSITY IS STRONGLY URGED

No Action This Session Likely, But Committee Report Paves Way for Bill.

"In this beautiful capital of the nation, with the galaxy of great buildings housing such treasures of art and science, with its many associations representing great learning, a significant item of world meaning, the crown of it all is lacking—a National University," says the report of the House Committee on Education on the Pass national university bill.

The committee filed with the House last night a formal report on the Pass bill, which was introduced reported several days ago. Although action is not probable at this session, the report is a comprehensive document advancing the cause and paving the way for action on similar bill next session.

The bill, which is introduced by a national university here, with an initial appropriation of \$500,000 from the Government, was introduced by Congressman Pass of Ohio. The committee report vitalizes university plan, which has been talked about for years.

In urging action on such a bill the committee said in part: "What we need in Washington is an institution not so much to multiply scholars as to develop scholarship; not to teach learners, but to produce research workers; not so much to disseminate knowledge already known, but to cultivate the power to find what is yet unknown."

"Such an institution will not interfere with nor supersede the hundreds of institutions already existing, but it will supplement them. It is a unique sense of university, and will develop the sense of pride and democratic support not now felt by any institution."

"Not only this, but it will most certainly be the most metropolitan institution in the world, and will bring groups of students from all progressive countries in the world."

Forgets Bride's Name, But Wedding Isn't Muffled

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 23.—When Frank G. Tillman went to the court house to get a marriage license he forgot the surname of his intended bride, confusing it with that of another girl. As a consequence he faced Father O'Hara in St. Mary's Cathedral with a license to marry Miss Sarah Chabon, though Miss Sarah C. Stearns stood beside him.

The mistake did not muffle the wedding bells, however, for Father O'Hara inserted the name of the bride on the license. Deputy County Clerk Henry Henshaw had discovered the mistake and called it to the attention of Deputy County Clerk Smith, who had acted as witness for Tillman when the license was issued.

Asserts Washington Died of Diphtheria

CHICAGO, Feb. 23.—George Washington died of diphtheria, instead of acute laryngitis, according to an article by Dr. H. B. Hemenway in the Evanston Medical News.

"Excess of treatment," declares Dr. Hemenway, "probably cut short Washington's life."

USING SOAP SPOILS THE HAIR

Soap should be used very sparingly. If at all, if you want to keep your hair looking its best. Most soaps and prepared shampoos contain too much alkali. This dries the scalp, makes the hair brittle, and ruins it.

The best thing for steady use is just ordinary milled coconut oil (which is pure and greaseless), is cheaper and better than soap or anything else you can use.

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You can get milled coconut oil at any pharmacy, and a few ounces will supply every member of the family for months.—Adv.

Predicts Flat Postal Rate 'Round the World

James L. Cowles Also Thinks Time Is Near When One May Run Over to Petrograd as Cheaply as to Laurel, Maryland.

The time is coming when it will cost no more to take a run over to Petrograd or Berlin than to Laurel, Md., or Culpeper, Va. And, according to James L. Cowles, of the Postal Progress League, that day will arrive in his lifetime, although the cheap transportation prophet admits that he is gray-headed.

The question of uniformly cheap transportation was discussed at a meeting last night in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce which was attended by Mr. Cowles and eleven others who met to formulate plans for the ending of the war, the federation of the world, the abolition of the tariff, and for other objects and purposes.

FOR FLAT TRANSPORTATION RATE.

The meeting was incident to the formation of a world postal league, and the existence of such an organization led Mr. Cowles to embark upon a prophecy of what may be expected from this somewhat modest beginning. Mr. Cowles entertained his eleven auditors with the reading of a manuscript of considerable size advocating the doing away with all barriers to cheap transportation and transmission.

Mr. Cowles' idea was that there should be a flat transportation rate all around the world, and perhaps an absolutely free service to be supported by the taxation of the various communities served. He referred enthusiastically to the fact that in Washington one may get on a street car and ride varying distances all for 5 cents.

To Urge Co-operation.

Why then—catch the argument—should it cost more to go to Shanghai than to Arlington? The world postal union, he asserted, would point the way to co-operation in all lines of travel and transportation until it would become only a matter of time before one might

Given Liberty If He Will Wash Dishes 14 Months

FLINT, Mich., Feb. 23.—Joseph Cell was sentenced to wash dishes for his wife for fourteen months by Judge Howard West in the circuit court here. Cell pleaded guilty to a violation of the local option law. He told the court that he had been unable to get work for fourteen months.

The court then asked his wife if he did any work about the house. She said that he carried the water and coal, but that he never helped her to wash the dishes. Cell was allowed his liberty on probation and must wash the dishes.

Educators at Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 23.—Between 2,500 and 3,000 school superintendents from all parts of the country arrived here today to attend the three-day meeting of the department of superintendents of the National Education Association. An extensive exhibit is being held in connection with the convention.

USE "TIPPERARY" FOR VAUGHN CLASS TUNE

Annual Banquet at Calvary Baptist Church Hears Tribute to Washington.

Members of the Vaughn Class of Calvary Baptist Church Sunday school sang their campaign song to the tune of "Tipperary" at the twenty-fourth annual banquet last night.

Edward L. Tolson, president of the class club, was toastmaster. Invocation was pronounced by the Rev. Alfred E. Barrows, of Eastern Presbyterian Church. Greetings were extended by the Rev. A. F. Anderson, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church. The teacher of the class, Prof. Louis D. Bliss, responded to the toast, "Our Class," paid a tribute to the late Francis W. Vaughn, the founder, and gave a short sketch of the work that had been done for men, and emphasized the vitally important place of the Sunday school in men's lives.

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Woman, With Husband's Bullet in Brain, Lives

MONTECLAIR, N. J., Feb. 23.—With a bullet in her brain and another in her arm, Mrs. Anna Hutchins, who, on January 14 last, was shot by her husband, left the Montclair hospital.

The physicians say that the only appreciable effect of the bullet in the woman's brain is a weakness in the right side, caused by the destruction of nerve centers, and a slight impediment of speech. The bullet in Mrs. Hutchins' arm will be removed when she is stronger, but the surgeons warn no interference with the bullet in her brain. The husband killed himself after shooting his wife.

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